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SUBJECT: COCOM FIRST ROUND LIST REVIEW AGENDA

REF: (A) STATE 228340, (B) PARIS 29685, (C) FURNESS-
BEACHNER SEPT. 11 TELECON

1. AT COCOM MEETING SEPT. 11, USDEL STATED THAT THE
PROPOSED AGENDA (REF B) WAS UNACCEPTABLE TO THE U.S.
AUTHORITIES, DRAWING ON PARAS 1 A-C FOR RATIONALE.
USDEL DISTRIBUTED THE NEW U.S. PROPOSED AGENDA (REF A)

AND ASKED THE COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER IT AS A BASIS FOR
DISCUSSION. BRITISH, DUTCH, AND GERMAN DELS RESISTED
THIS BECAUSE OF THE LATE DATE AND ASKED THAT COMMITTEE
USE THE COMPROMISE AGENDA (REF B) AS STARTING POINT.
CHAIRMAN ALSO INITIALLY DISCOURAGED IDEA OF CONSIDERING
NEW U.S. PROPOSAL SINCE NEW POSITIONS FROM THE VARIOUS
GOVERNMENTS MIGHT TAKE MANY DAYS. JAPANESE DEL, ON
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OTHER HAND, STATED THAT WHILE HE COULD OF COURSE NOT
TET TAKE ON NEW U.S. AGENDA, HIS AUTHORITIES HAD
FOUND SOME PROBLEMS WITH THE COMPROMISE PROPOSAL WHICH
MIGHT BE SOLVED BY THE NEW U.S. AGENDA. (JAPANESE
AUTHORITIES PREFER TO HAVE AEL DISCUSSION IN OCTOBER
AND WANT ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DEC. 6 AND 7
IN THE COMPROMISE AGENDA (REF B) MOVED UP CLOSER IN

TIME TO ITEMS WHICH WERE SCHEDULED IN SAME AGENDA ON
OCTOBER 18 AND 19 (NAMELY 1502, 1519, 1520, 1514, 1516,
1533, 1500 NI.7 (US 29).)

2. USING THE JAPANESE STATEMENT THAT NEW U.S.
PROPOSAL MIGHT SATISFY CERTAIN JAPANESE REQUIREMENTS.
USDEL POINTED OUT IT WAS MORE IMPORTANT FOR COMMITTEE
TO TAKE TIME TO WORK OUT SCHEDULE GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE
TO EVERYONE THAN TO MEET THE SEPT 11 DEADLINE. IT
WAS FINALLY DECIDED THAT MEMBERS WOULD ASK
THEIR GOVERNMENTS TO CONSIDER THE NEW U.S. PROPOSAL
AND A NEW MEETING WOULD BE HELD ON WED AFTERNOON,
SEPT 13. CHAIRMAN INDICATED THAT IF A DECISION CANNOT
BE REACHED AT THAT TIME, ANOTHER MEETING WOULD BE HELD
ON FRIDAY SEPT 15 TO DECIDE ON THE FINAL AGENDA.

3. MAJOR PROBLEM TO ACHIEVING AGREEMENT ON THE NEW
U.S. PROPOSAL ON WED WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE THE FRENCH
DEL'S POSITION THAT HIS AUTHORITIES WILL NOT BE
AVAILABLE TO DISCUSS THE AEL UNTIL LATE NOVEMBER.
AT SEPT. 11 MEETING, FRENCH DEL CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN
THIS POSITION, THOUGH HE CAREFULLY AVOIDED STATING
WHAT HE HAD TOLD USDEL BILATERALLY, NAMELY THAT HIS
AUTHORITIES WOULD BE "UNPREPARED TO DISCUSS ISSUE
BEFORE LATE NOVEMBER." AT MEETING USDEL STATED THAT
"UNPREPAREDNESS" WAS NOT A LEGITIMATE SCHEDULE
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CONSIDERATION AND MADE A SPECIAL APPEAL TO THE FRENCH
DEL TO ENCOURAGE HIS AUTHORITIES TO AGREE TO AEL
DISCUSSION IN EARLY OCTOBER WHICH WAS CONVENIENT TO
BOTH U.S. AND JAPAN. FRENCH DEL STATED HE WOULD PASS
VN U.S. VIEWS TO HIS AUTHORITIES BUT WAS DEFINITELY
NOT ENCOURAGING ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF CHANGE IN FRENCH
POSITION. DURING DISCUSSION U.S. NOTED THE TWO
ALTERNATIVES TO DISCUSSION OF AEL IN EARLY OCTOBER
WHICH WERE OUTLINED IN PARA 1 A. (A) AND (B). CHAIRMAN
NOTED THAT TWO DISCUSSIONS ON AEL DURING THE SECOND
ROUND COULD WELL BE THE ONLY COMPROMISE AVAILABLE IF

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NO OTHER AGREEMENT WAS POSSIBLE. HE, USDEL, AND ALL
OTHER MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE EXCEPTING FRENCH, AGREED
SUCH A POSTPONEMENT OF INITIAL AEL DISCUSSION WOULD
BE VERY UNFORTUNATE.

4. OTHER MEMBERS STATED THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO
CHECK WITH THEIR AUTHORITIES TO SEE IF ALL ASPECTS
OF NEW U.S. AGENDA IS ACCEPTABLE. IN RESPONSE TO U.S.
ARGUMENT THAT AS IN PAST, GREATEST WEIGHT SHOULD BE
GIVEN TO PROBLEMS OF THOSE MEMBERS WHOSE TECHNICIANS
MUST TRAVEL THE FARTHEST, GERMAN AND DUTCH DELS
POINTED OUT THAT IT MUST ALSO BE REALIZED THAT THEIR
TECHNICIANS, SOME OF WHOM WORK FOR PRIVATE FIRMS,
CAN NOT ALWAYS BE AVAILABLE FOR COCOM DISCUSSIONS.

5. USDEL WILL BE CHECKING WITH THE VARIOUS DELE-
GATIONS
PRIOR TO THE SEPT 13 MEETING AND WILL CONTACT FURNESS
RE ANY PROBLEMS THEY MAY HAVE WITH NEW U.S. AGENDA.
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